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Stockholm, *May* 2.

THere passes very little in these quarters worth the communicating. The King is gone to *Schonen* to receive his Queen, whom he will bring hither. Count *Bengt Oxenstern*, late Ambassador from this Crown at the Treaty at *Nimeguen*, is going for *Livonia* to succeed Count *Horne* in the Government of that Province, and Count *Charles Oxenstern* is, as we are told, nominated by the King to go Ambassador to *France*: The Baron *Bielke*, who is now at that Court in that quality, being recalled.

Warsaw, *May* 6. The first Instant the Queen of *Poland* was brought to Bed of a Son. She had before three Children, Prince *James Louis Henry* (who is called the Prince of *Poland*, and is in his 13th year) Prince *Alexander Benedict*, who is three years old, and the Princess *Theresia*, who is in her 5th year. The same day the Ambassadors of the Czar of *Moscovy* made their publick Entry into this place, and Yesterday they had their first Audience of the King, whom they Complimented upon the Birth of the Prince his Son, and desired Commissioners might be appointed to Treat with them about the League Offensive and Defensive, which their Master desires to make with this Crown

Venice, *May* 11. Prince *Radzeville*, Ambassador from *Poland*, is gone from hence to *Rome*, with a very small Attendance, having ordered the rest to follow with his Bagage. We have advice that three Pyrates of *Barbary* are Cruising on the Coast of *Sicily*, but it's not doubted they will be quickly driven from thence by the Christian Galleys.

Turin, *May* 12. The Duke of *Mantoua*, its said, has assured the Pope, That what has been reported concerning his parting with *Cazal*, is without the least ground, and that though he had refused the Soldiers which the Governor of *Milan* did offer for the Security of that place, yet he had ordered the Governor of *Casal*, in case there was occasion, to receive the Country *Militia*, which make about 8000 men, into the Town.

Florence, *May* 14. From *Rome* they Write, that the Spanish Ambassador had had an Extraordinary Audience of the Pope, to whom he represented the present state of Affairs, and the obligation that lyes upon him and the Princes of *Italy*, to enter at this time into a common League, such as may preserve the Peace of *Italy*, or else enable them to defend themselves in case they be attacked. The Letters add, That it is the general opinion that the Pope intends to lessen the number of Cardinals.

Madrid, *May* 16. The 14th instant the Marquis *de Grana* Ambassador Extraordinary from the Emperor arrived here; and the same Evening had a private Audience of the King and Queen. It is very confidently said at Court that her Majesty is with Child. The Count *de Gubernatis* Envoy Extraordinary from the Duke of *Savoy*, has taken his leave of their Majesties in order to his return home.

Strasburg, *May* 24. On Tuesday last in the morning the Baron *de Monclar* arrived here, and in the Evening returned to *Wissenburg*, and from thence intended to go to *Landaw*, whither several Regiments are marching, that being the place of their Rendevous. Count *Mansfeldt*, Envoy Extraordinary from the Emperor to the French King lyes sick at *Augsburg*.

Francfort, *May* 26. The Prince Palatine of *Birckenfeld*, has put himself and his Countreys, under the Protection of the French King, to avoid the vexation which the French, who raise every day new pretensions, would otherwise give him; but on the other side, the Prince Palatine of *Veldentz*, has addressed himself to the Dyet at *Ratisbonne*, as well to complain of the Encroachments of the French, as to demand the protection of the Empire.

Hamburg, *May* 28. The 25 instant the King of *Denmark* intended to begin his journey for *Holstein*; some people have suffered themselves to be so far allarmed, as to belive that he has some new design upon this City, but there appears very little ground for such an opinion. Count *Anthony* of *Oldenburg* (who attended the young Queen of *Sweden*, as far as *Helmstadt*, where the Marriage was consummated, as the King of *Denmarks* Ambassador) is returned to *Copenhagen*. From *Berlin*, we have an account that the Elector of *Brandenburg* was resolved to observe an Exact Neutrality, and not to enter into any new Allyances at present.

Brussels, *May* 28. The Marquis *de Bourgamanero* stays here till the arrival of the Spanish Letters, and then intends for the *Hague*, to Confer with the Ministers there concerning the present posture of Affairs. Count *Egmond*, Viceroy of *Sardinia*, is still here, being detained by his private Affairs The Duke *de Villa Hermosa*, our Governor, has put off his Journey to *Flanders*, till the middle of the next week.

Hague, *May* 31. The States of *Holland* met again last Wednesday, and have made so great a Progress in the business of the Money, that they are almost agreed upon the method of raising it, and it's believed it will be, to raise it in three years, by paying, the two first years, the 40th Penny twice upon Land and Houses, and the last year the same Imposition upon Personal Estates, which will amount to about three hundred thousand Pounds *Sterling*: and it being not doubted but this matter will be concluded to morrow, the Prince intends to part hence the same Evening for *Gelderland*, and the Princess begins her Journey to morrow morning. The Elector of *Cologne*'s Minister has given in another Memorial to the States General, in which he represents to them the great dissatisfaction their proceedings with relation to *Maseyck* and *Hasselt* do give the Elector, seeing they do not only detain